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SUBJECT: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS: SOTESSEL STATEMENT AT RESTRICTED  
MEETING, 10/22/75; TTBT/PNE DELEGATION MESSAGE NO. 64

1. FOLLOWING IS STOESSEL STATEMENT AT 11:00 AM RESTRICTED  
MEETING, OCTOBER 22, 1975.

BEGIN TEXT:

MR. MINISTER, WE ARE MOST INTERESTED TO HAVE YOUR VIEWS  
ON COOPERATION AND ON A SOVIET-AMERICAN JOINT COMMISSION TO  
ASSIST IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PNE TREATY WE ARE SEEKING  
TO DEVELOP. WE WILL GIVE YOUR REMARKS CAREFUL ATTENTION AND  
I ASSURE YOU WE ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS ALL OF THE POINTS  
YOU HAVE MENTIONED.

WORKING GROUP II IS CONTINUING ITS EFFORTS AND, WE  
HOPE, LAYING A FOUNDATION FOR FURTHER PROGRESS. HOWEVER,  
THE US SIDE IS VERY CONCERNED ABOUT TWO ASPECTS OF DRAFT  
MATERIAL BEING PUT FORWARD BY THE SOVIET SIDE.

ONE CONCERN WAS RAISED BY YOUR REMARKS IN OUR RESTRICTED  
MEETING ON OCTOBER 16. YOU EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE TWO  
SIDES SHOULD DEVELOP CERTAIN UNDEFINED DOCUMENTS ONLY AS  
GUIDELINES FOR USE BY A FUTURE JOINT COMMITTEE.

IT MUST BE MADE CLEAR: THE US SIDE CANNOT AGREE TO  
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MAKE ANY OF THE PROVISIONS IN THE US DRAFT PROTOCOLS

DEPENDENT UPON SUCH A PROCEDURE.

THE US SIDE IS FLEXIBLE ON FORM AND ORGANIZATION OF DOCUMENTS, BUT ALL OF THE ESSENTIAL PROVISIONS, INCLUDING THEIR DETAILS, MUST BE INCLUDED IN EXPLICIT AND BINDING TERMS IN THE AGREEMENT.

ALL OF THE PROVISIONS IN THE US DRAFT PROTOCOLS ARE ESSENTIAL. SOME ARE DETALIED, SOME ARE GENERAL. THEIR SUBSTANCE, WHETHER DETAILED OR GENERAL, MUST BE ESTABLISHED BY AGREEMENT IN EXPLICIT AND BINDING FORM.

OUR SECOND CONCERN IS DUE TO THE FACT THAT SOVIET DRAFT MATERIAL SHOWS BLANKS INSTEAD OF NUMBERS IN PROVISIONS INVOLVING NUMERICAL CONDITIONS. IN OUR PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF THE LATEST VERSION OF THE SOVIET TEXT PRESENTED YESTERDAY, WE FIND THAT ADDITIONAL BLANKS HAVE REPLACED PREVIOUSLY AGREED NUMBERS. WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND YOUR REASONS FOR THIS APPROACH AT THIS LATE PERIOD IN OUR NEGOTIATIONS. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE BLANKS COULD PREVENT US FROM IDENTIFYING DIFFERENCES OVER NUMBERS, WHEREAS ANY SUCH DIFFERENCES SHOULD BE KNOWN AND MADE THE SUBJECTS OF RESOLUTION BY THE EXPERTS.

WE URGE YOU TO RECTIFY THIS DEFICIENCY PROMPTLY IF WE ARE TO CONTINUE TO PROGRESS IN OUR TASK OF PRODUCING AN AD REFERENDUM JOINT DRAFT TEXT CONTAINING A MINIMUM NUMBER OF BRACKETS.

THANK YOU.

END TEXT.

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